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From the Dean

This second issue of *The GRADUATE* in its new format highlights scholarships and some of the exciting projects underway that will be of direct, lasting benefit to the College's teaching programs.

Most of the projects are funded by several sources, including private, state and federal funds. In essentially every case, private donors, alumni and friends of the College put the projects "over the top." Without the help and support of our former students and friends, the projects would either not be possible or would be on a smaller scale than is truly needed. For that continued support, the students, faculty and administration of the College extend our heartfelt thanks. These new facilities and programs will allow our faculty to achieve greater levels of excellence in their teaching programs and research supported by the Division of Agriculture's Agricultural Experiment Station.

Because our alumni and friends care, some 240 deserving students are currently supported by scholarships — support which not only helps all the recipients but literally makes a college education possible for many. As the student population in the College grows, that support is going to become not only more important but absolutely critical. And we have to continue to progressively increase private involvement and partnering in our programs if we are to sustain the pace the faculty have set for themselves.

We are extremely pleased with the positive happenings in the College and at the University of Arkansas. Enrollment is up in the College after several years of steady decline. The concerted effort to modernize our curricula and make them more effective and efficient has produced excellent results. Several outstanding new faculty have been added in key areas. We are moving to reach more and more Arkansans who desire and deserve the opportunity to take our courses through distance education and by way of our relationships with other colleges in the State through initiatives such as the Arkansas Consortium for Teaching Agriculture. We are working closely with our sister Colleges on the UAF campus including a collaborative relationship between Interior Design and Interior Architecture; and, coinvesting with Business Administration to bring transportation and logistics courses to our Agricultural Business program.

The most rewarding accomplishment of all, however, is one that takes a concentrated effort literally on everyone's part. And that is the growing sense of community embracing our students, staff, faculty, administration, alumni and friends. There has been increasing participation in events such as Land Grant Days, the Carnival of Clubs and other activities that let the rest of the world know that we are alive and well! There is a growing sense of pride in our programs and people and an expressed desire for continued improvement; and, we will achieve that not as individuals but by continuing to work together.

I often remind those of us who work at the University that the College does not belong to the administration, or to the faculty, or even to the students. It belongs to people like you who are largely responsible for the things that have been achieved, and who are absolutely essential to our achieving what we can be.

Again, to all of our alumni and friends who continue to untiringly and unselfishly support these programs — your programs — we salute you and thank you.

Truly, you make the difference. ■



Charles J. Scifres
Dean

College Posts Largest Enrollment Increase — Up 13%

Randy Luttrell
Associate Dean for Academics

A 13 percent increase in enrollment in Bumpers College this fall compared to last fall was the most of any college at the University of Arkansas. Campus-wide, enrollment was up 4.7 percent.

Most departments had more students than last fall, but relatively large increases were observed in Animal Science (28%), Horticulture (30%), Interior Design (23%), and Poultry Science (21%). Biological and Agricultural Engineering, which is administratively housed in the College of Engineering but closely aligned with the Bumpers College, experienced a 48% increase in enrollment.

Bumpers College currently has 1,189 students. About 22%, or 264,

are graduate students. Undergraduate enrollment increased 11.9% and graduate student enrollment increased 17.8% over that of 1997.

About 83 percent of the students are residents of Arkansas, 52 percent are female and 48 percent are male. Of the 204 nonresident students, 45 percent are international students.



Randy Luttrell

Seventy percent of the College's students are classified as full-time. Nine percent are transfer students. About 16 percent are classified as minority students, and 50 percent of that number are graduate students.

We believe enrollment in Bumpers College will continue to increase. Several factors, including the overall University emphasis on recruitment of outstanding students, contribute to this growth.

Faculty within the Bumpers

College have worked hard to enhance the image of the agricultural, food and life sciences through enhanced recruiting and retention programs. They have developed a dynamic curriculum. Degree programs that address issues ranging from biotechnology to fashion design appeal to a wide audience of students.

Most importantly, the Bumpers College is a college of the people. We will assure that our academic programs continue to reflect the needs of our society and that we will always embrace our land-grant heritage of teaching, research and service to meet the growing demands of an expanding population. Our unique ability to place students in learning environments with innovative research and extension scientists will remain as our strongest asset. Most of the students enrolled in the Bumpers College participate in internships where they experience real-world problems and interact with real-world professionals. ■

Dear Fellow Alums,

Today's business environment puts pressure on all of us to think towards the future. The resource commitment needed to help achieve our mission, vision, goals and objectives for the future is very large in all segments of agricultural business and in the business of education.

Focus + Determination + Support + Team Work + Execution are all factors in the equation contributing to a successful business. Similar to our businesses, the Dale Bumpers College of Agricultural Food and Life Sciences must prepare for the future.

Inspection of the success equation shows several factors, but the one that Bumpers College can always use help with is support from its graduates and friends. For those of you who have not interacted with your College lately, let me inform you that it is progressing toward the new millennium and it is focused, determined, working as a team and executing as best it can with restricted resources to get there on time.

The business of educating has the same needs as a chemical, fertilizer or seed company for supporting customers who desire a quality product at a fair price. Product lines usually improve generation by generation. For example, the most recently developed soybean variety is usually an improvement over an earlier variety, or it won't be in demand. Support must come from various sources to sustain development of all products, including education.

We, as graduates, should reflect on what we can do to support our College, the institution that launched our careers. I'm proud to be an alumnus because of what the College did for me and many other graduates. May I suggest that graduates call the Arkansas Alumni Association, Dean Scifres or Associate Dean Luttrell to learn how you might lend your support to your College and put it on the fast track as we race to the 21st Century. Let's help our College win that race!

Jim Batchelor
CAFLS Alumni Society President, 1995-97

Jim Batchelor (BSA '75, MS '78, PhD '80) is Director of Seed, WILFARM L.L.C., Gladstone, Mo.

Timing Critical to Admission, Scholarship Decisions

"The three most important things you can do to get accepted to the University of Arkansas are apply early, apply early and apply early," says Melissa Lester, director of student relations for the Bumpers College.

"Everything, including scholarships and financial aid, hinges on completing your application and getting it in early," Lester says. "Completion of an application for admission begins the process of selection for University scholarships."

Applications must be accompanied by a non-refundable \$30 fee.

There are three layers of scholarships available: University scholarships, Bumpers College scholarships and departmental scholarships. All are awarded on a competitive basis.

Students reapply for Bumpers

College scholarships every year by March 1, so even if they are not awarded a scholarship one year, they may still earn one the next year.

Applications for admission in fall 1999 are being accepted now and must be received by Aug. 15, 1999. Depending on which of the various scholarships are sought, admission application deadlines range from Jan. 1 to March 1, but applications received before Jan. 1 will receive priority consideration for all University scholarships.

Eligibility requirements also vary, but the higher a student's grade point average and ACT or SAT score, the better.

For the best chance of successfully applying to U of A and receiving a scholarship, a student should have at least a 3.0 GPA and score no lower than 20 on the ACT or 960 on the SAT.

Students' transcripts should be sent to the University by their schools, and ACT or SAT scores should be sent by the testing agency.

"The application should be as complete as possible," Lester says, "because everything you tell us about yourself will be considered when

deciding which students are accepted."

Call the office of the Dean of Bumpers College, 501-575-2252, for information about University and College scholarships. For information about departmental scholarships, students should contact directly the departments in which they're interested.

Lester says students should apply early even if they haven't made up their minds which college or university they want to attend. Students who put off making their decisions until late risk losing scholarship opportunities.

"It's also important for students interested in agricultural, food or life science majors to indicate the Bumpers College on their applications, even if they're not certain about their major," she says. "University admissions will forward those applications to us so we can send prospective students applications for College scholarships."

"The application process may seem confusing or lengthy, but it's so important," Lester says. "We'll offer all the help prospective students need to complete their applications on time. All they have to do is call us." ■



Ambassadors — Five students have been selected to represent the Bumpers College as College Ambassadors. They are, front row from left: Chad Clem, a senior poultry science major from Malvern; and Jeri Baker, a sophomore agricultural business major from Mountain Home. Back row: Dawn Seale, a junior human development major from Dierks; Barry Denton, a junior agricultural education major from Hatfield; and Tamara Holcombe, a junior family and consumer science education major from Jay, Okla.

Curriculum Changes Offer Flexibility

Curriculum changes will give Bumpers College undergraduate students more flexibility in determining their courses of study as they work toward degrees.

"One of the biggest changes was the reduction of hours required to earn a bachelor's degree from 132 to 124," says Melissa Lester, Bumpers College director of student relations.

"Reducing the required hours brings our College in line with other colleges in the University and makes it easier for students to earn a bachelor's degree in four years," Lester says.

Eliminating the core requirements also gives students more control in designing their courses of study, says Elizabeth Wheeler, College mentor.

"The 16 hours of College core classes have been replaced with a requirement to take nine hours of broadening electives," Wheeler says. "Students must choose electives from outside their majors, but from courses offered within the Bumpers College."

Students must still take classes required by the University's core curriculum.

Several departments are also adding concentration areas in merchandising and management to their degree offerings.

"Fewer required hours and a broader choice of courses gives students much more flexibility in their college careers," Wheeler says. ■

Alumna Endows International Studies Scholarship Fund in Husband's Memory

by Mischelle Fryar
Student Writer

An article in the last issue of *The Graduate* about opportunities for Bumpers College students to study abroad prompted an alumna to offer an endowment for scholarships in her late husband's name to help students take advantage of international study opportunities.

Carole Locke (BSHE '59) of Fort Myers, Fla., widow of Richard Locke (BSA '60), is providing a \$25,000 endowment to establish the Richard D. Locke International Agriculture Endowed Scholarships. Some 20 additional contributions from friends and associates had already been received at this writing, before the fund's establishment was presented to the UA Board of Trustees for approval.

Richard Locke enjoyed a lifelong



Richard D. Locke



From 1957 Razorback

career in international agribusiness, Mrs. Locke says, and she wants to help provide the same opportunities to other students at the U of A.

As a junior at the University, Locke spent a year in Brazil as an exchange student. After receiving his degree in agricultural economics, he began a distinguished career in international agribusiness as manager of tropical crop plantations

for Dole in the Philippines.

He took a job with Dupont as a sales representative in Australia in 1966 and spent the majority of his career in management positions with that company's overseas operations. The Lockes lived in the Philippines, Australia, South America and throughout Southeast Asia.

"The key to his career, he felt, was the year he spent abroad in Brazil. It gave him the interest and a foothold to learn about international agribusiness," said Mrs. Locke.

International agribusiness was a rewarding career for her husband, she said, and she feels the scholarship endowment is an appropriate way to honor her husband's memory while giving students the opportunity to study abroad.

To contribute to the Locke Foundation Endowment, contact Preston La Ferney, Director of International Agricultural Programs, 300 Hotz Hall, U of A, Fayetteville, AR 72701; laferney@comp.uark.edu, phone 501-575-2256. ■

Globe-Trotting Students Serve Internships Abroad

Participants in the European Studies Program provided by Bumpers College have been involved in a variety of internships and study programs in Scotland, England, Slovakia, Israel, Italy and Denmark over the past two years.

The following examples illustrate the diversity of study and work programs that can be arranged to meet the needs and interests of students.

Todd Gilmour of Fayetteville was awarded a scholarship to the Excellence in Golf Course Management Program at the prestigious Gleneagles Golf Course near Perth, Scotland.

Reema Persad of Fayetteville was a summer intern at the Roslyn Institute in Edinburgh, the home of Dolly, the cloned sheep. She also worked in the Scottish Agricultural College (SAC) veterinary divisions at Ayr and Aberdeen.

Since returning to the U of A, Persad has continued to conduct research she started at the Roslyn Institute on muscle stress in broiler chickens.

Alexandria Madison of Springdale is studying marine biology at the University of Copenhagen in Denmark.



Todd Gilmour



Reema Persad



Gabe Timby

LaDerek Lee of Shreveport, La., participated in a summer graduate studies program in Italy coordinated by the Consortium of Universities for International Business Studies, which is administered by Clemson University.

Sherri Dickey of Emerson completed a short-term research study visit to Slovakia to conduct research on her thesis for a master's degree in agricultural economics.

Gabriel Timby of Lincoln is studying environmental protection and management in Edinburgh.



Dennis Motes, right, UA Vegetable Substation Director, presents an alumni award to Charles V. Hall and his wife, Elsie (BSBA '49).

Horticulture Honors Alumni and Friends

Outstanding alumni and friends were honored at the annual Horticulture awards luncheon Sept. 25.

Charles V. Hall (BSA '50, MS '53), an Ash Flat native who was head of the Iowa State University horticulture department for 17 years, received the Lifetime Horticulture Alumni Award.

Tina K. Shelby (BS '80), co-owner of PLANTation Services in Little Rock, received the Early Career Horticulturist Award.

Robert and Marilyn Bogle of Bentonville were presented the Outstanding Friends Award. The Bogles established the Bogle Scholarship Endowment that has helped more than 20 students, department head Stephen Myers said.

Hall's distinguished career as a horticultural scientist and educator included development of melon varieties, including 'Crimson Sweet,' which became one of the most widely grown watermelons in the world.

Shelby and her husband, Randy Cooper, own what is now the state's largest interior plantscape service. She was named one of the top 40 business executives under 40 by Arkansas Business in 1996.

She is president of the central Arkansas chapter of National Association of Women Business Owners. She was unable to attend the awards luncheon because she was representing the NAWBO in Washington, D.C. Her husband and parents, Nita and Ralph Shelby, accepted the award on her behalf.

Faculty Update

Missed on campus this fall is Carolyn Sharp (BSHE '64, MS '67), Food Science, who passed away in May. She is fondly remembered by the many students she helped over the years and by her colleagues in the Institute of Food Technology. Also missed are recent retirees Terry Lavy, Agronomy, and Alfredo Gonzalez, Food Science. And we wish well to faculty who have recently taken other jobs: Elizabeth Lamb, Horticulture, who is helping to start the horticulture teaching program at the University of Florida, Ft. Pierce campus; Keith Patterson (BSBA '70, MS '79), Horticulture, now a viticulturalist at California Polytechnic State University in San Luis Obispo; David Neff, Agricultural Economics and Agribusiness, who is managing a John Deere dealership in Indiana; Carl Dillon, Agricultural Economics and Agribusiness, now at the University of Kentucky; Jamie Dollahite, Human Environmental Sciences, currently an extension dietitian at Cornell University; Stephanie Watson (PhD '97), Human Environmental Sciences, who has joined the interior design faculty at the University of Minnesota; and Edwin Anderson, Plant Pathology, now with Pioneer Seed Co. in Iowa.



Nancy Wyatt and Michael Thomsen

Joining the ranks this fall is Nancy Griffith Wyatt (BA '78, MS '80, PhD '91), an Agricultural Experiment Station publications editor for the past 13 years, who is now an assistant professor in the agricultural communications area in Agricultural and Extension Education. She is an Arkansas native from Bentonville.

New to Agricultural Economics/Agribusiness is Assistant Professor Michael Thomsen, who received his Ph.D. from the University of Minnesota earlier this year. His areas of specialization are marketing, cooperatives, strategic marketing and value-added industries.



Keith Streigler, left, and Jon Lindstrom

Horticulture gained two new faculty, Keith Striegler (BSA '79, MS '82) and Jon Lindstrom. Striegler holds a Ph.D. from Michigan State and comes to the U of A from California State University, Fresno, where he held the Julio R. Gallo Director's Chair at the Viticulture and Enology Research Center. He returns home to Northwest Arkansas as associate professor and extension specialist in fruits. Lindstrom received his B.S. in horticulture from Cornell, his M.S. from the University of Maryland, and his Ph.D. in agronomy at the University of Illinois. After several post-docs, he is settled in Fayetteville, where he will teach and conduct research on woody plants.



Nilda Roma Burgos

Nilda Roma Burgos (MS '94, PhD '97) has joined the Agronomy Department as assistant professor in weed science. She is from the Philippines, where she completed her undergraduate studies. Prior to returning to the U of A, she worked as a field research biologist for ZENECA Ag Products in Champaign, Ill.



On Display — Sophomore Landon Shockley of Malvern and freshman Erica Johnson of Fort Smith paint a display panel for showing the work of interior design students in the Home Economics Building. Shockley and Johnson were among a group of interior design majors who helped spruce up the Department of Human Environmental Sciences for a site visit by the Foundation for Interior Design Education Research.

HES Begins First Distance Learning Course

Stephen Dennis, Human Environmental Sciences, is teaching the first-ever distance learning course offered by Bumpers College this fall.

The parenting and family dynamics course is for undergraduate and graduate students in human development, family science and rural sociology.

The course is taught in Fayetteville and sent by compressed video to the U of A's community colleges in Helena, Batesville and Hope and to the Little Rock campus.

Other public education and outreach activities in human development and family science include workshops on parenting, child care and related topics and training and support for child care professionals.

Interior Design Program Gets Site Visit for Accreditation

Interior design faculty and students were busy sprucing up for the FIDER (Foundation for Interior Design Education Research) site visit Oct. 31 through Nov. 3. The interior design program, established in 1974, was first accredited in 1992 and again in 1995. There are approximately 100 accredited interior design programs in North America, and the UAF program is the only one so recognized in Arkansas. Accreditation indicates that graduates meet nationally accepted standards for entry into the interior design profession.

The program is growing, with a 1998 enrollment of 108 students. A third freshman design studio class was added to accom-

modate new students. A faculty committee is exploring the development of a three-semester collaborative program for students in interior design and architecture to enrich the beginning classes these students take on our campus.

The Interior Design Advisory Board met in September to prepare for the FIDER site visit. Anna (Westfall) Chandler (BSHE '84), vice-president of Corgan Associates, Inc., Fort Worth, has joined the board, along with John Alpe with Mills Morris Business Products, a Herman Miller representative, Springdale.

Nine interior design majors completed internships last summer. Their placements in design firms ranged from McLean, Va., to Las Vegas, Nev., to London, England. Next summer 30 students are scheduled for internships. Any alumni interested in employing an intern should call Gary McCurry at 501-575-2578.



No Pressure — Interior Design Advisory Council members look over both shoulders of student Tracey Norwood as she works on an assignment. From left, are John Alpe of Mills Morris Business Products, Springdale; John Mack, an architect with Perry L. Butcher and Associates, Rogers; Janet Smith, The Smith Co., Springdale; Anna Chandler, a UA interior design alumna, Corgan Associates, Inc., Ft. Worth; and James Horne, ISP, Dillards, Little Rock.

You Can Get There From Here

An ad in the summer issue of *Arkansas*, the magazine of the Arkansas Alumni Association, featured pictures of Leland Tollett (BSA '58, MS '59) and Belinda Floyd (BS '98) under the heading: "You Can Get There from Here."

"There" is a rewarding career. "Here" is the Dale Bumpers College of Agricultural, Food and Life Sciences.

Tollett, who recently retired as chairman and chief executive officer at Tyson Foods, Inc., started his career with Tyson as director of research nutrition in 1959. He had just received his master's degree in animal science, which at that time included the poultry science curriculum.

Tollett moved steadily up the ranks, helping Tyson's grow into the world's largest poultry company. Before being named chairman and CEO in 1995, he was general manager and vice president of the broiler division, corporate vice president and president of the production division, chief operating officer, president and vice chairman.

A native of Nashville, Ark., he attended Southern State College in Magnolia before transferring to the U of A, where he received his B.S.A. and M.S. degrees.

Belinda Floyd may or may not become the CEO of Tyson Foods, but she has already embarked on a rewarding career.

"When I was at state 4-H O' Rama (held at the U of A each July), we toured the Tyson Foods headquarters, and I decided I wanted to work there," the Huntsville High School graduate said. "I wanted to go into marketing."

She made her wish come true by majoring in poultry science, with Bumpers College scholarships from

Tyson Foods and others paying most of her tuition and fees.

While working on her UA degree and participating in many extra activities, she spent two years as a Tyson Foods intern in the food service marketing department.

She is now assistant product manager in the company's international marketing division. Her duties include working with companies around the world that buy Tyson commodities (unprocessed products).

"I do weekly sales forecasting for all of our commodity products," she said.

She deals on a daily basis with the reality behind the headlines about the economic turmoil in Asia and Russia.

Floyd was accepted into graduate school and offered a teaching assistantship in Agricultural Economics and Agribusiness, but she opted "for the real-world experience of a full-time job," she said. "I plan to eventually return to graduate school."

The daughter of Linda Chappell (BSE '88, M Ed '89), of Fayetteville and Phillip Floyd of Berryville, Belinda was a Bumpers College Ambassador and a

U of A Ambassador. She was in the Poultry Science Club, Collegiate 4-H/FFA, a student senator, and, among other things, resident assistant for all the males in the co-ed Holcombe Hall dormitory. ■



Chief Executive — Bumpers College alum and Tyson's CEO Leland Tollett posed for a photo in the classroom to help make the point: "You Can Get There from Here!"



Belinda Floyd



Carnival of Clubs — Trevyr Bedingfield competed in the fruit golfing event at Carnival of Clubs sponsored by Bumpers College student organizations September 3.

Cover photo—

Bumpers College graduate Belinda Floyd has embarked on a rewarding career in marketing at Tyson Foods, Inc. Photo by Jim Bailey.

King-Size Gift Launches Equine Program

A 28% increase in animal science majors this fall compared to last fall suggests that students are responding to a commitment by Bumpers College, the U of A and the Division of Agriculture to develop a premier animal science program.

The program took a giant step in July with ground-breaking for the Dorothy E. King Equine Center, made possible by private contributions, including a gift of \$440,000 from the Carl B. and Florence E. King Foundation of Dallas.

The equine center adjoins the nearly completed Pauline Whitaker Animal Science Center, which features a 25,000-square-foot indoor arena.

The Whitaker Center is already a major architectural landmark for the north entrance to the campus on Arkansas 112 (Garland Ave.).

Animal Science Department Head Keith Lusby said the King Center will provide a focal point for a new equine teaching program in Bumpers College

and the extension and service activities of the U of A System's Division of Agriculture.

"We hope to offer courses ranging from how to ride a horse to

pre-veterinary education," Lusby said. A faculty member will be added to develop the program.

"We planned these facilities as an integrated complex that will permit a great deal of flexibility for equine and livestock programs.

"A major focus will be programs for 4-H, FFA and other groups, as well as for riding clubs and teaching and extension programs."

The equine center will include a 4,800-

square-foot pavilion with horse stalls, washing and grooming areas, a tack room, feed room and an office. A large area in the center of the building will be used for teaching and demonstrations.

Adjacent to the pavilion will be a 150-foot by 250-foot outdoor arena with bleacher seating and lighting.

**"Arkansans
will no longer look
to other states
for animal science
education
and research."**

—Dean Charles Scifres



Breaking ground for the Dorothy E. King Equine Center on July 21 are, from left, Milo Shult, U of A Vice President for Agriculture; Stanley Reed of Marianna, a member of the UA Board of Trustees; Keith Lusby, Head of the Animal Science Department; Thomas Vett, Secretary/Treasurer of the Carl B. and Florence E. King Foundation; Ned Ray Purtle of Hope, a member of the UA Board of Trustees; Charles Scifres, Bumpers College Dean and Associate Vice President for Agriculture-Research; B. Alan Sugg, President of the University of Arkansas System; and Donald Pederson, UAF Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration.

Thomas Vett of the King Foundation said the Foundation and Dorothy King, daughter of Carl and Florence King, have long supported the University and the Animal Science program. The family raised Hereford cattle for many years on a farm near Siloam Springs.

Dean Charles Scifres said the number of animal science majors grew from 97 in 1997 to 120 this fall and he expects the number to exceed the goal of 200 by the year 2000.

"Arkansans will no longer look to other states for animal science education and research," Scifres said.

"We are rapidly moving to the front with new facilities, the addition of leading animal scientists to the faculty, more scholarships, and the determination to provide the very best possible programs for the people of Arkansas." ■



Opening Soon — The Pauline Whitaker Animal Science Center will be the centerpiece of the Arkansas Agricultural Research and Extension Center in Fayetteville. A \$500,000 gift from Pauline Whitaker of Rogers and her family and gifts from the Arkansas Cattlemen's Association, state and county Farm Bureaus, Pork Producers Association and breed associations provided matching funds for a \$2 million USDA grant for the building.



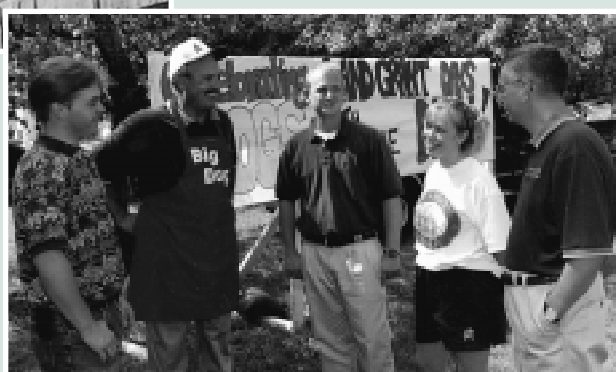
“Land Grant Days...

celebrate the contributions to society of our alumni, who are the lifeblood of our College, our University and our great Razorback football team.”

— Dean Charles Scifres



The Land Grant Days barbecue and silent auction were part of festivities that included a Razorback pep rally with Coach Houston Nutt, the football team, cheerleaders and band before the historic first-time-in-Arkansas thrashing of Alabama, 42 to 6.



Dean Charles Scifres took a break from cooking hotdogs at “Dogs with the Dean” during Land Grant Days to visit with John Holliman, left, of Quitman, Matt Cordell of Hampton, Rebecca Smith of Fayetteville and Associate Dean Randy Luttrell. Bumpers College students Holliman and Cordell received the Richard Forsythe Scholarship and Chancellor’s Scholarship, respectively.



The Silent Auction at Land Grant Days netted \$5,922 for the Alumni Society Scholarship Fund. Shoppers included, from left, Kaylee, Lance and Connee Luttrell and Thomas Jackson.



Alums, friends and faculty posed for a photo on the lawn of the Poultry Science Center bearing the Land Grant Days banner.

The House Is Back in FarmHouse

by Mike Speight
and Chad Mooney
Student Writers

When school started in the fall of 1998, FarmHouse was there with its doors open, ready to once again be a home for young men of high moral character.

The FarmHouse Fraternity is moving rapidly toward refounding in the spring of 1999. First chartered in 1954, the chapter gave up its charter in 1996 for reorganization. In 1997, five students formed an interest group that has grown to more than 30, with 22 members now living in the chapter house on Arkansas Avenue.

Alex Eckert, director of expansion for FarmHouse International, said, "I have never worked with a more dedicated, motivated and faster working group of guys. These guys have accomplished much more in a short amount of time than anyone, including me, could have ever predicted."

The men of FarmHouse have already shown their leadership abilities

with active participation in the Dale Bumpers College of Agricultural, Food and Life Sciences as well as in University activities.

Dr. Nolan Arthur, faculty adviser, has worked very diligently with this group. The members feel that with his continued support and the support of the College and University faculty, FarmHouse International and the alumni association, the refounding efforts will be a huge success.

Interested students and alumni may attend chapter meetings on Tuesday nights at 8 p.m. or may contact the chapter house. ■



Home — FarmHouse members and guests are pictured after a Sunday formal dinner at the chapter house on Arkansas Avenue.

Bumpers College Seeks Nominations for Outstanding Alumnus

The College is seeking nominations for its Outstanding Alumnus Award. Nominees must have received a degree through the College and have made outstanding contributions to their profession and/or community.

We are counting on alumni to help with nominations for this award. Additional information and nominating forms may be obtained by writing or calling the Dean's Office, Dale Bumpers College of Agricultural, Food and Life Sciences, Agriculture Room 205, Fayetteville, Ark., 72701, 575-4446.

We look forward to hearing from you. The nomination deadline for the 1999 award is Dec. 15, 1998.



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Alumni News

Rosanna (Jones) Sumner (BSHE '48) has owned her own real estate firm since 1972 in Abilene, Texas. She was national president of the Women's Council of Realtors in 1991.

Madge (Bryant) Johnson (BSHE '49) and Loran Johnson (BSA '50) are retired in Warren, Ark. Mr. Johnson founded the Bradley County Pink Tomato Festival 42 years ago.

Dr. Bobby D. Barnett (BSA '50, MS '54) retired from Clemson University in 1988. After wintering for 10 years in South Pasadena, Fla., he and his wife now make this Tampa Bay community their permanent home.

Carroll E. Walls (BSA '55, MS '56) retired from DuPont after 38 years and now is a quality assurance and safety manager with Timberland Enterprises, Inc., out of Monticello.

William T. Wallace (BSA '58, MS '61) retired last January after 31 years of farming and as president of Wallace Farms, Inc. He and his wife, Helen, who was AGRI Queen and a Razorback Beauty in 1957, have three children.

Elizabeth "Betty" Yates, R.D. (BSHE '74) has over 20 years experience in healthcare management. She has recently become an enterprise services consultant in software implementation in Atlanta, Ga., with HBO & Co., a supplier of software to healthcare concerns.

Cordia (Barton) Wilkinson (BSHE '76) sold her three McDonald's restaurants to become president and CEO of the new Tennessee Bun Company, which supplies buns to McDonald's in a five-state area. The 50,000-square-foot bakery in Dickson, Tenn., produces a million buns a day.



Since selling *Arkansas Farmer*, the magazine he launched and published for eight years, Jeff Tennant (BSA '79) has become the head of the U.S. division of Rural Press, Ltd., of Sidney, Australia. He continues his involvement in the *Arkansas Farmer* as editor of custom publications and as web-site coordinator.

Randy Woodson (BSA '79), previously department head of horticulture at Purdue University, was recently appointed associate dean and director of the Agricultural Experiment Station at Purdue. He was also elected a fellow of

the American Society for Horticultural Science and will serve on the Society's board as vice president of its research division.

Jerry Thomas (BSA '80) and Gloria (Guyer) Thomas (BSHE '86) have moved to Scottsboro, Ala., where they have taken jobs with Keystone Foods Corporation in Huntsville. Both are in the poultry division, Jerry as director of processing and Gloria as a research and development project manager.

Dr. Alexander Dunlap (BS '82, BSA '84) was selected in April 1996 as an alternate payload specialist (backup astronaut) for Space Shuttle Mission STS-90/Neurolab, a research mission to study the effects of microgravity on the nervous system. Having completed his NASA assignment, he will return to the University of Tennessee-Memphis to complete a residency in family medicine. He also holds a doctor of veterinary medicine degree from Louisiana State University.



Dewayne Goldmon (BSA '85, MS '87) was assigned in 1997 to a new position of soybean market development

representative for the southern United States by Monsanto Company.

After two years as vice consul at the U.S. Embassy in Santiago, Chile, Fayetteville native Philip Thompson (MS '86) is returning to Washington, D.C., to become State Department intelligence analyst for Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Paraguay and Uruguay.

Mary Lynn (McCrary) Mantooth (BSA '87) worked as a quality control supervisor for three years at a Cumming, Ga., company while husband, Alan (BSEE '86, MSEE '87), pursued his PhD. They now live in Portland, Ore., where Mary is a stay-at-home mom for their three daughters.

Brandon C. Grigg (BSA '87, MS '91) is a postdoc soil scientist with the USDA-ARS. He is involved in a joint project with the University of Florida evaluating water management effects on microbial decomposition of organic soils of the Everglades Agricultural Area.

Mary Guyer (BSA '88) has left Fayetteville and Tyson Foods to work as a senior research scientist for Kraft Food Ingredients in Memphis. She received her MS in food science from the University of Delaware in 1990.

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Chet and Memori (Poe) Clayton (BSAs '93) have relocated to Fruitland Park, Fla., where Chet works as sales associate for Florida Concrete Pipe Corporation and Memori is a finance department assistant for Florida Crushed Stone.

Rance (BSA '94) and Cindy (Woods) Looney (MS '95) now live in Morrilton with their daughter, Madeline. Rance is a feed consultant for Caldwell Milling in Rose Bud, and Cindy works for Cargill Pork as a field manager and supervisor of breeding stock availability.

Bringing her daughter to campus for freshman orientation was Dr. Debbie Leach (BSA '94). Leach received her DVM from the University of Missouri and is a large animal practitioner in Bonneville, Mo., with McHugh Veterinary Services.

Elizabeth Benton (BSHE '94) is a territory sales representative with G & W Wallcovering Distributors and resides in Rogers.

Mike Pardue (BSA '95, MS '97) recently married Karen Aggus (BA '93). They live in Des Moines, Iowa, where Mike is employed with IGF Insurance.

Joffrey Mendoza (BSA '95) is married, lives in Raleigh, N.C., and is a shelf technology and account manager for Procter & Gamble. He hopes eventually to transfer to Latin America with P & G.

Ronald L. Reed (BSHES '96) is an interior designer with Gilliams Center for Creative Design in Scottsdale, Ariz. He was recently accepted into the American Society of Interior Designers as an allied practitioner.

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Dr. Tom Whiting (PhD '88) headed for Colorado after completing his degree and started a business producing feathers for the fly tying industry. Whiting Farms now has over 100,000 birds, 53 employees and is the dominant hackle producer in the world.

Dr. Rayetta Eaton-Wilmoth (BSA '90) is a family practice physician with Mercy Health Center in Bentonville.

Stopping by the Dean's Office recently was T. J. Hart (BSA '92), who works for Farmland Industries, Inc., as a pasture seed manager. He resides in Springfield, Ark.



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